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SUBJECT: TFCNOV: SITREP NO. 68, JUNE 30, 1700 LOCAL

1. SUMMARY: THE SEVENTH NATIONAL PEOPLE'S CONGRESS CONVENED JUNE 23 WITH ITS CHAIRMAN, VAN LI, DELIVERING A VERY MODERATE SPEECH IN CONTRAST TO THE TOUGH AND UNCOMPROMISING SPEECH THE DAY BEFORE BY NEW GENERAL SECRETARY JIANG ZENIN.

2. SHANGHAI AUTHORITIES DEMANDED CONGEN SHANGHAI REMOVE THE TEXT OF PRESIDENT BUSH'S SPEECH ON CHINA AND VOX COMMENTARY FROM THE CONSULATE'S DISPLAY CASE BECAUSE IT "OFFENDS THE FEELINGS OF THE CHINESE PEOPLE". EMBASSY BEIJING ADVISED SHANGHAI TO KEEP THE DISPLAY AND TO SAY THAT CHINESE AUTHORITIES' COMMENT: ON THE PRESIDENT'S SPEECH "OFFEND THE FEELINGS OF THE AMERICAN PEOPLE."

IN BEIJING, THE MFA DELIVERED OFFICIAL COMPLAINTS TO THE PAO ON THE "INACCURATE REPORTS" CARRIED IN THE EMBASSY'S WIRELESS BULLETIN. THE PAO ASSERTED THAT THE STORIES WERE ACCURATE. THE LARGE AMERICAN JOINT VENTURE SHERATON HOTEL WAS ORDERED TO CEASE RECEPTION OF CNN TRANSMISSIONS. OTHER HOTELS, HOWEVER, HAVE NOT YET HAD THEIR CNN RECEPTION STOPPED.

3. PRESIDENT YANG SHANGXUN AND PREMIER LI PENG MET WITH LOWER-LEVEL VISITING FOREIGN OFFICIALS. PREMIER

LI SAID THE VISITS OF THE FOREIGN GUESTS DEMONSTRATED SUPPORT FOR CHINA. THE MFA SPOKESPERSON SAID THE U.S. VIOLATED CHINESE AND INTERNATIONAL LAW BY GIVING REFUGE TO FANG LIZHI. THE SPOKESPERSON ALSO SAID THE JUNE 27 EC STATEMENT "JEOPARDIZES BILATERAL RELATIONS".

4. VICE PREMIER WU XUEQIAN TOLD A VISITING AMERICAN THAT THE PEACE CORPS PROGRAM WAS ONLY POSTPONED AND WAS NOT CANCELLED. VISA APPLICATIONS AT THE EMBASSY ARE AGAIN NEAR NORMAL FOLLOWING THE GOVERNMENT'S REWINDING FOR ITS NATIONALS TO APPLY FOR A NEW TYPE OF EXIT PERMIT. THE MARTIAL LAW FORCES HELD A SINGING CONCERT IN HONOR OF THE 68TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE FOUNDING OF THE COMMUNIST PARTY. THE PHILIPPINES WILL LIFT ITS TRAVEL ADVISORY ON JULY 1, ACCORDING TO THE LOCAL PRESS. THE PAO REPORTS SOME CONTACTS WHO WISH CONTINUED RELATIONS WITH THE EMBASSY WILL, FOR NOW, TALK WITH THE LOCAL STAFF AND NOT WITH AMERICAN OFFICERS. FOREIGN MINISTER QIAN HOSTED 80 DIPLOMATS, MOSTLY FROM THE THIRD WORLD AND COMMUNIST BLOCK NATIONS, AT A WATERMELON FESTIVAL.

END SUMMARY.
NPC CONvenes, VAN LI DELIVERS MAJOR SPEECH

5. JUNE 29 EVENING NEWS AND JUNE 30 PRINT MEDIA GAVE PROMINENT COVERAGE TO THE OPENING SESSION OF THE EIGHTH MEETING OF THE SEVENTH NATIONAL PEOPLE'S CONGRESS STANDING COMMITTEE. 133 OF THE 152 MEMBERS ATTENDED THE OPENING MEETING OVER WHICH NPC CHAIRMAN VAN LI PRESIDED. THE STANDING COMMITTEE WILL CONSIDER AND IS EXPECTED TO APPROVE THE DECISIONS REACHED BY THE FOURTH PLENUM OF THE THIRTEENTH PARTY CENTRAL COMMITTEE. IT WILL CONSIDER THE STATE COUNCIL'S NEW DRAFT LAW PLACING GREATER RESTRICTIONS ON RALLIES AND DEMONSTRATIONS, AND WILL MAKE IT PUBLIC FOR NATIONAL CONSIDERATION. ON OTHER ISSUES, THE STANDING COMMITTEE WILL RECEIVE REPORTS ON GOVERNMENT ACTIONS IN CRUSHING THE DEMONSTRATIONS; VAN LI'S REPORT ON HIS RECENT TRIP TO CANADA AND THE U.S.; PARTICIPATION IN THE 81ST INTER-PARLIAMENTARY UNION MEETING; AND WILL DECIDE PERSONNEL APPOINTMENTS AND DISMISSALS.

6. THE HIGHLIGHT OF THE FIRST DAY'S MEETING WAS A SPEECH DELIVERED BY THE CHAIRMAN, VAN LI. IN SHARP CONTRAST TO THE TOUGH AND UNCOMPROMISING TONE TOWARDS STUDENT LEADERS AND DEMONSTRATORS SET THE DAY BEFORE BY THE NEW GENERAL SECRETARY JIANG ZENIN, VAN LI'S SPEECH WAS VERY MODERATE. HE SAID THAT EVERYONE IN CHINA "MUST BE COGNIZANT THAT STABILITY IS IN CHINA'S HIGHEST INTEREST. WE MUST STRENGTHEN THE EDUCATION OF SOCIAL DEMOCRACY AND THE LEGAL SYSTEM AMONG ALL NATIONALITIES IN CHINA. WE MUST INCREASE AND STRENGTHEN THE PEOPLE'S SOCIAL DEMOCRATIC CONSCIOUSNESS AND LEGAL SYSTEM CONCEPTS. PEOPLE MUST CONSCIOUSLY EXERCISE THEIR CONSTITUTIONAL AND DEMOCRATIC RIGHTS, AND FULFILL THEIR CONSTITUTIONAL AND LEGAL DUTIES." VAN LI CAUTIONED, HOWEVER, THAT IN "EXERCISING FREEDOMS AND RIGHTS, THE PEOPLE MUST NOT HARM THE NATION OR SOCIETY, THE INTERESTS OF THE WHOLE, AND THE LEGAL FREEDOMS AND RIGHTS OF OTHER PEOPLE."

7. IN A CAREFULLY CRAFTED SPEECH, VAN LI EXPRESSED HIS SUPPORT FOR THE DECISIONS TAKEN BY THE LEADERSHIP TO END THE "COUNTER-REVOLUTIONARY REBELLION". OTHER PARTS OF HIS SPEECH WERE CONCILIATORY AND APPEARED TO REFLECT A DESIRE TO PLACE THE MARGAR: AND THE EVENTS OF JUNE 3-4 BEHIND AND FOCUS ON THE WORK THAT LIES

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SPOKESPERSON ON JUNE 29 EXPRESSED DEEP REGRET OVER
THE JUNE 27 EC STATEMENT ON CHINA AND SAID THAT "SUCH
RASHLY ISSUED STATEMENTS... JEOPARDIZE BILATERAL
RELATIONS."

U.S. DISPLAY CASE IN SHANGHAI DRAWS CRITICISM

8. CONSULATE GENERAL SHANGHAI REPORTS THAT SHANGHAI
FOREIGN AFFAIRS OFFICE DEPUTY DIRECTOR GAO SEN
DEMANDED THAT CONSUL GENERAL SYLVESTER REMOVE THE
"DISTORTIONS AND PROPAGANDA" FROM THE CONSULATE'S
OUTDOOR DISPLAY CASE BECAUSE IT "OFFENDS THE FEELINGS
OF THE CHINESE PEOPLE." EMBASSY BEIJING HAS ADVISED
CONGEN SHANGHAI NOT TO REMOVE PRESIDENT BUSH'S JUNE 6
SPEECH, THE VOX COMMENTARY OR ANY OTHER MATERIAL FROM
THE DISPLAY CASE BECAUSE GAO'S COMMENTS ABOUT THE
PRESIDENT'S STATEMENT "OFFENDS THE FEELINGS OF THE
AMERICAN PEOPLE."

CHINESE COMPLAIN TO EMBASSY ABOUT WIRELESS FILE

9. PAO REPORTS THAT HE WAS CALLED IN BY THE MFA
INFORMATION DEPARTMENT ON JUNE 30 TO HEAR AN OFFICIAL
CHINESE COMPLAINT THAT THE USIS WIRELESS BULLETIN HAD
BEEN CARRYING INACCURATE STATEMENTS ABOUT THE
"CHINESE QUELLING OF THE COUNTER-REVOLUTIONARY
REBELLION" WHICH HURT "THE FEELINGS OF THE CHINESE
PEOPLE." THE PAO DENIED THAT THE USIS BULLETIN WAS
INACCURATE AND STRESSED THE NEED TO INFORM KEY
MINISTRIES AND OTHERS IN BEIJING OF THE DEPTH OF
FEELING AMONG AMERICANS OVER RECENT EVENTS IN CHINA.
THIS WAS AN APPROPRIATE FUNCTION OF THE EMBASSY'S
USIS OFFICE.

CHINESE CUTS OFF RECEPTION OF CNN TRANSMISSIONS

10. THE EMBASSY WAS INFORMED BY OFFICIALS AT THE
AMERICAN JOINT VENTURE GREAT WALL SHERATON HOTEL THAT
THE HOTEL HAD BEEN FORCED TO STOP RECEPTION OF CNN
TRANSMISSIONS THROUGH ITS TELEVISION RECEIVE-ONLY
ANTENNA DISH AT 1130 AM ON JUNE 30. THIS ACTION WAS
THE RESULT OF AN ORDER GIVEN BY THE SENIOR CHINESE
PARTNER OF THE JOINT VENTURE ENTERPRISE WHO SAID THE
ORDER CAME "FROM HIGHER UP." IT APPEARS THAT OTHER
HOTELS, FOR NOW, ARE STILL AIRING CNN.

SENIOR LEADERS MEET VISITING DELEGATIONS

11. IN AN EFFORT TO GET AS MUCH MILEAGE AS POSSIBLE
FROM THE FEW OFFICIAL DELEGATIONS VISITING CHINA, ON
JUNE 29 PRESIDENT YANG SHANGKUN MET WITH A BOLIVIAN
PARLIAMENTARY DELEGATION AND PREMIER LI PENG MET WITH
THE FOREIGN MINISTER OF SAO TOME AND PRINCIPE. THE
JUNE 29 EVENING NEWS AND JUNE 30 PRINT MEDIA REPORTED
THE CHINESE LEADERS CONVEYING THE PARTY LINE ON
NON-INTERFERENCE IN CHINESE AFFAIRS. PREMIER LI PENG
WAS QUOTED AS SAYING THAT THE VISITS DEMONSTRATED
"SUPPORT FOR CHINA".

FOREIGN MINISTRY COMMENTS ON FANG LIZHI

12. UPDATING OUR PREVIOUS SITREP, THE JUNE 30
PEOPLE'S DAILY REPORTED THE COMMENTS MADE BY THE MFA
SPOKESPERSON JUNE 29 THAT THE SHELTERING OF FANG
LIZHI AND LI SHUXIAN BY THE U.S. EMBASSY CONSTITUTES
AN ENCROACHMENT ON CHINA'S SOVEREIGNTY, AND VIOLATES
CHINESE AND INTERNATIONAL LAW.

FOREIGN MINISTRY COMMENTS ON EC STATEMENT

13. ALSO UPDATING OUR PREVIOUS SITREP, THE JUNE 30
ENGLISH-LANGUAGE CHINA DAILY REPORTED THE MFA

CHINESE EMPHASIZE PEACE CORPS PROGRAM IS ONLY
POSTPONED, NOT CANCELLED

14. THE JUNE 30 OVERSEAS EDITION OF THE PEOPLE'S
DAILY REPORTED THAT VICE PREMIER WU XUEQIAN MET WITH
DANIEL WONG, FORMER MAYOR OF CERRITOS, CALIFORNIA ON
JUNE 29. WU EMPHASIZED TO THE VISITING AMERICAN THAT
THE PEACE CORPS PROGRAM WAS ONLY POSTPONED AND WAS
NOT CANCELLED.

VISA APPLICATIONS NEAR NORMAL

15. THE NUMBER OF VISA APPLICATIONS AT THE EMBASSY ON
JUNE 30 RETURNED TO NEAR NORMAL FOR THE FIRST TIME
SINCE THE GOVERNMENT NEARLY TWO WEEKS AGO BEGAN
REQUIRING THAT ITS NATIONALS OBTAIN NEW EXIT PERMITS
BEFORE THEY APPLY FOR VISAS AT FOREIGN EMBASSIES.
THE EMBASSY RECEIVED 130 APPLICATIONS AND AN
ADDITIONAL 20 APPLICANTS WERE ASKED TO APPLY NEXT
WEEK.

MARTIAL LAW TROOPS HOLD SINGING CONCERT

16. IN HONOR OF THE 68TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE FOUNDING
OF THE COMMUNIST PARTY, WHICH IS OFFICIALLY
CELEBRATED ON JULY 1, THE MARTIAL LAW FORCES HELD A
SINGING CONCERT INVOLVING ALL BRANCHES OF THE
MILITARY SERVICE ON JUNE 29. PARTY GENERAL SECRETARY
JIANG ZEMIN, PRESIDENT YANG SHANGKUN, PREMIER LI
PENG, NPC CHAIRMAN WAN LI, QIAO SHI, YAO YILIN, SONG
PING, LI RUIKUAN, WANG ZHEN AND OTHER SENIOR LEADERS
ATTENDED.

PHILIPPINES LIFTS TRAVEL ADVISORY

17. XINHUA CHINA NEWS SERVICE REPORTED JUNE 29 THAT
THE PHILIPPINES WILL LIFT ITS TRAVEL ADVISORY ON
CHINA EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 1989.

DAXING WATERMELON FESTIVAL

18. FOREIGN MINISTER QIAN QICHEN HOSTED OVER 90
DIPLOMATS ON AN EXCURSION TO THE DAXING WATERMELON
FESTIVAL TO OBSERVE THIS YEAR'S BUMPER CROP. THE
DIPLOMATS WERE MOSTLY FROM THIRD WORLD COUNTRIES AND
THE EASTERN BLOCK STATES INCLUDING THE SOVIET UNION.
FEW, IF ANY, WESTERN EUROPEANS ATTENDED. THE U.S.
EMBASSY SENT ITS S&T COUNSELOR. THE FOREIGN MINISTER
DELIVERED THE PARTY LINE DURING BRIEF COMMENTS TO THE
GROUP.

CONTACTS

19. EMBASSY PAO REPORTS THAT A PRC TELEVISION CREW
WHICH RECENTLY RETURNED FROM FILMING IN THE U.S. ON A
USIS SUBSIDIZED TRIP, TOLD USIS BEIJING THAT IT
LOOKED FORWARD TO CONTINUED CONTACT WITH THE EMBASSY
BUT, FOR THE TIME BEING, ONLY WITH THE CHINESE
NATIONALS ON THE STAFF, NOT WITH THE AMERICAN
OFFICERS.
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